

Amendments to the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A spinneret plate[[],] for manufacturing a nonwoven fabric, said spinneret plate having multiple non-round holes, which are similar to of a trilobal or multiarmed cross section through which holes for polymer may flow outlet to produce filaments, in which wherein identically oriented non-round holes being are positioned in rows a first row, and additional non-round holes are positioned in at least one additional row adjacent the first row, wherein the holes of the first row are offset to one another the holes of the next adjacent row, and wherein at least one the holes of the first row has have a positional arrangement of the holes which differs from the positional arrangement of the holes of said at least one additional a second row of rows through rotation of the holes.
2. (Previously Presented) The spinneret plate according to Claim 1, wherein the spinneret plate has at least two different types of holes.
3. (Previously Presented) The spinneret plate according to Claim 1, wherein the spinneret plate is divided into at least two regions, in which the first region and the second region each have two or more rows of identical holes.
4. (Previously Presented) The spinneret plate according to Claim 3, wherein the first region has a positional arrangement of the holes which is rotated by 180° in relation to the positional arrangement of the holes in the second region.
5. (Currently Amended) The spinneret plate according to Claim 4 3 wherein at least the first region and the second region are separated from one another by a gap (14).
6. (Currently Amended) The spinneret plate according to Claim 5, wherein the gap is the same size or larger than a distance between two rows of identical holes.

7. (Withdrawn) A spin packet having at least a first spinneret plate and a second spinneret plate, in which the first spinneret plate and the second spinneret plate are positioned neighboring one another in the spin packet and the first spinneret plate and the second spinneret plate each have non-round holes, in which the holes in the first spinneret plate are positioned rotated in relation to the holes in the second spinneret plate.

8. (Withdrawn) The spin packet according to Claim 7, wherein the holes in the first spinneret plate have the same dimensioning as the holes of the second spinneret plate.

9. (Withdrawn) The spin packet according to Claim 7, wherein the first and/or the second spinneret plate have different types of holes.

10. (Withdrawn) A spunbonded fabric manufacturing device having a first and a second gas supply for cooling and/or stretching filaments, in which the first and the second gas supplies are positioned parallel to one another and have at least partially diametrically opposite escape openings, having multiple identical spinneret holes, which have a non-round cross-section, a first region of identically aligned spinneret holes discharging in a blowing region of the first escape opening and a second region of identically aligned spinneret holes discharging in a blowing region of the second escape opening and the first and the second regions being spatially separated from one another, the spinneret holes of the first region being rotated in relation to the spinneret holes of the second region in such a way that a polymer material discharged from the spinneret holes is subjected to identical blowing in the first region and in the second region.

11. (Withdrawn) A method of cooling and/or stretching a molten polymer material during spunbonded fabric manufacturing, the polymer material being discharged from multiple non-round holes, which are similar to trilobal or multiarmed holes, in at least one spinneret plate and forming polymer filaments, a first gas flow upon impinging from a first side and a second gas flow upon impinging from a second side on the polymer material coming out of the holes,

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wherein the first gas flow, at least upon impinging on a first row of polymer filaments, is guided along their shape in mirror image in comparison to guiding of the second gas flow upon impinging on a first row of polymer filaments at its location.

12. (Withdrawn) The method according to Claim 11, wherein the first gas flow and the second gas flow are guided in mirror image to one another over multiple rows of polymer filaments.

13. (Withdrawn) The method according to Claims 11, wherein both gas flows are at least partially deflected from a first polymer filament row onto a neighboring second polymer filament row.

14. (Withdrawn) The method according to Claim 13, wherein both gas flows are deflected onto a second polymer filament row, which follows the first polymer filament row in a blowing direction.